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To Whom It May Concern::

I am writing to express my opposition to the Bush'administration's proposal to repeal the Clinton administration's rules on federal contractor responsibility. The rules require contracting officers to look at a company's record of complying with the law in deciding whether the company is a "responsible contractor" eligible to receive a federal contract.

As a taxpayer, I want my tax dollars to go to responsible companies that comply with the law, not to corporate lawbreakers. Companies that routinely violate laws designed to protect the environment, consumers, workers and other important rights shouldn't be rewarded with valuable federal contracts. That's unfair to companies that do comply with the law and allows chronic violators to profit from their lawbreaking.

I urge the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council not to repeal the contractor responsibility rules and to let the rules go into effect without further delay.

The employees of responsible employers, employers who provide health insurance and retirement benefits, are not going to be at the public trough looking for government assistance to make up for what they were denied in employee benefits. If you choose to reward those irresponsible business people and repeal the current rules their employees will be on the doorstep of government looking for the benefits they were denied as working people. It is as simple as pay me now or we will pay you later.

Sincerely, Roger B. Gill 96 Fair-wood Drive Pembroke, MA 02359

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